## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Susan Boyce, et al.

Serial No.:

(to be assigned)

Case No.: T1453CA

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For

USE OF A COX-2 INHIBITOR AND A NK-1

RECEPTOR ANTAGONIST FOR TREATING

**INFLAMMATION** 

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

The above-identified case is a continuation of Serial No. 09/700,776. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments prior to prosecution of the subject application.

Any additional fees associated with this Response may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2 of this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this response.

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